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GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

(PROJECT BRANCH)

NOTIFICATION

The 19th February, 2026

No. E188425PJ-3/63.- In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 14(6) and 14(7) of the Punjab Water Resources (Management and Regulation) Act, 2020 and in pursuance of the guidelines issued by the Groundwater Resource Estimation Committee (GEC-2015), Government of India, and keeping in view the need for sustainable management of groundwater resources in the State, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to notify the categorization of Assessment Areas (Blocks), as detailed below:

I. The Groundwater Assessment Report has been prepared by the Department of Water Resources, Government of Punjab, in coordination with the Department of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Punjab, and the Central Ground Water Board (CGWB), in accordance with the GEC-2015 guidelines.

II. As per the assessment carried for the year 2024-25, the overall stage of groundwater development in the State of Punjab is 156.36%.

III. Consequently, as per section 14(5) of the Act the Advertisement regarding the categorization of blocks was published in published in English and Punjabi Newspaper "The Tribune" and "Ajit" respectively dated 27-12-2025 for inviting objections on the above categorizations and was uploaded in Public domain in the Central Ground Water Board website (https://cgwb.gov.in/cgwbpnm/publication-detail/1741) and Department of Water Resources, Punjab website (https://irrigation.punjab.gov.in/ en/ground-water-recharge/miscellaneous). During the stipulated time of 1 month, no objections were received for the same.

IV. Therefore as per section 14(7) of the Act of The Punjab Water Resources (Management and Regulation) Act, 2020 dated 12-02-2020, the categorization of blocks is hereby notified as under:

Category	Number of Block
Over-Exploited Blocks	111
Critical Blocks	10
Semi-Critical Blocks	15
Safe Blocks	17
Total	153

V. The Block-wise details of groundwater assessment and categorization are appended as Annexure-A, which shall form an integral part of this notification.

This notification shall come into force with immediate effect.

Sd/-

Chandigarh
The 18th February, 2026

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Annexure -A

The table below shows the block wise Stage of Ground Water Extraction and Categorization:

S. NO.	STATE	DISTRICT	BLOCK	Stage of Ground Water Extraction (%)	Categorization of Assessment Unit
1	PUNJAB	Fazilka	Abohar	19.38	safe
2	PUNJAB	Jalandhar	Adampur	242.67	over_exploited
3	PUNJAB	Amritsar	Ajnala	138.54	over_exploited
4	PUNJAB	Fatehgarh Sahib	Amloh	260.22	over_exploited
5	PUNJAB	Amritsar	Amritsar Urban	330.11	over_exploited
6	PUNJAB	Rupnagar	Anandpur Sahib	78.59	semi_critical
7	PUNJAB	Sangrur	Andana	258.70	over_exploited
8	PUNJAB	Fazilka	Arniwala Sheikh Subanpur	73.34	semi_critical
9	PUNJAB	Amritsar	Attari	175.50	over_exploited
10	PUNJAB	SBS Nagar	Aur	90.84	Critical
11	PUNJAB	Moga	Bagha Purana	209.24	over_exploited
12	PUNJAB	SBS Nagar	Balachaur	86.78	semi_critical
13	PUNJAB	Pathankot	Bamial	82.00	semi_critical
14	PUNJAB	SBS Nagar	Banga	232.18	over_exploited
15	PUNJAB	Barnala	Barnala	318.83	over_exploited
16	PUNJAB	Fatehgarh Sahib	Bassi Pathanan	230.18	over_exploited
17	PUNJAB	Gurdaspur	Batala	158.18	over_exploited
18	PUNJAB	Bathinda	Bathinda	86.42	semi_critical
19	PUNJAB	Bathinda	Bhagta Bhai Ka	364.14	over_exploited
20	PUNJAB	Sangrur	Bhawanigarh	337.72	over_exploited
21	PUNJAB	Mansa	Bhikhi	206.39	over_exploited
22	PUNJAB	Tarn Taran	Bhikhiwind	229.51	over_exploited
23	PUNJAB	Jalandhar	Bhogpur	209.49	over_exploited
24	PUNJAB	Patiala	Bhunarheri	262.66	over_exploited
25	PUNJAB	Hoshiarpur	Bhunga	90.58	critical
26	PUNJAB	Mansa	Budhlada	98.15	critical
27	PUNJAB	Rupnagar	Chamkaur Sahib	118.58	over_exploited
28	PUNJAB	Amritsar	Chogawan	134.37	over_exploited
29	PUNJAB	Tarn Taran	Chohla Sahib	205.18	over_exploited
30	PUNJAB	Hoshiarpur	Dasuya	143.37	over_exploited
31	PUNJAB	Ludhiana	Dehlon	219.05	over_exploited
32	PUNJAB	Gurdaspur	Dera Baba Nanak	159.53	over_exploited
33	PUNJAB	SAS Nagar	Derabassi	157.14	over_exploited

34	PUNJAB	Pathankot	Dhar Kalan	18.79	safe
35	PUNJAB	Gurdaspur	Dhariwal	149.29	over_exploited
36	PUNJAB	Kapurthala	Dhilwan	148.67	over_exploited
37	PUNJAB	Sangrur	Dhuri	343.74	over_exploited
38	PUNJAB	Gurdaspur	Dina Nagar	63.97	safe
39	PUNJAB	Sangrur	Dirba	338.20	over_exploited
40	PUNJAB	Ludhiana	Doraha	107.81	over_exploited
41	PUNJAB	Gurdaspur	Dorangala	85.18	semi_critical
42	PUNJAB	Faridkot	Faridkot	93.10	critical
43	PUNJAB	Gurdaspur	Fatehgarh Churian	123.61	over_exploited
44	PUNJAB	Fazilka	Fazilka	41.34	safe
45	PUNJAB	Firozpur	Firozpur	94.49	critical
46	PUNJAB	Tarn Taran	Gandiwind Tatla	109.12	over_exploited
47	PUNJAB	Hoshiarpur	Garh Shankar	167.37	over_exploited
48	PUNJAB	Firozpur	Ghall Khurd	107.88	over_exploited
49	PUNJAB	Patiala	Ghanaur	112.30	over_exploited
50	PUNJAB	Pathankot	Gharota	63.46	safe
51	PUNJAB	Bathinda	Goniana Mandi	199.47	over_exploited
52	PUNJAB	Gurdaspur	Gurdaspur	110.70	over_exploited
53	PUNJAB	Firozpur	Guruhar Sahai	69.97	safe
54	PUNJAB	Hoshiarpur	Hajipur	81.67	semi_critical
55	PUNJAB	Amritsar	Harsha Chhina	176.68	over_exploited
56	PUNJAB	Hoshiarpur	Hoshiarpur-1	173.58	over_exploited
57	PUNJAB	Hoshiarpur	Hoshiarpur-2	97.81	critical
58	PUNJAB	Ludhiana	Jagraon	156.09	over_exploited
59	PUNJAB	Faridkot	Jaiton	150.06	over_exploited
60	PUNJAB	Fazilka	Jalalabad	150.00	over_exploited
61	PUNJAB	Jalandhar	Jalandhar City	431.75	over_exploited
62	PUNJAB	Jalandhar	Jalandhar East	534.15	over_exploited
63	PUNJAB	Jalandhar	Jalandhar West	246.78	over_exploited
64	PUNJAB	Amritsar	Jandiala Guru	173.91	over_exploited
65	PUNJAB	Mansa	Jhunir	68.59	safe
66	PUNJAB	Gurdaspur	Kahnuwan	101.04	over_exploited
67	PUNJAB	Gurdaspur	Kalanaur	171.35	over_exploited
68	PUNJAB	Kapurthala	Kapurthala	300.03	over_exploited
69	PUNJAB	Tarn Taran	Khadur Sahib	180.59	over_exploited
70	PUNJAB	Fatehgarh Sahib	Khamanon	208.13	over_exploited
71	PUNJAB	Ludhiana	Khanna	276.96	over_exploited

72	PUNJAB	SAS Nagar	Kharar	96.53	critical
73	PUNJAB	Fatehgarh Sahib	Khera	171.07	over_exploited
74	PUNJAB	Fazilka	Khuian Sarwar	58.05	safe
75	PUNJAB	Muktsar	Kot Bhai At Gidderbaha	30.60	safe
76	PUNJAB	Moga	Kot Ise Khan At Dharamkot	114.32	over_exploited
77	PUNJAB	Faridkot	Kot Kapura	127.71	over_exploited
78	PUNJAB	Muktsar	Lambi	20.00	safe
79	PUNJAB	Sangrur	Lehra Gaga	280.30	over_exploited
80	PUNJAB	Jalandhar	Lohian	278.71	over_exploited
81	PUNJAB	Ludhiana	Ludhiana City	490.23	over_exploited
82	PUNJAB	Ludhiana	Ludhiana-1	395.01	over_exploited
83	PUNJAB	Ludhiana	Ludhiana-2	237.30	over_exploited
84	PUNJAB	Ludhiana	Machhiwara	203.96	over_exploited
85	PUNJAB	Barnala	Mahal Kalan	124.17	over_exploited
86	PUNJAB	Hoshiarpur	Mahilpur	107.97	over_exploited
87	PUNJAB	Amritsar	Majitha	139.93	over_exploited
88	PUNJAB	SAS Nagar	Majri	84.09	semi_critical
89	PUNJAB	Firozpur	Makhu	77.85	semi_critical
90	PUNJAB	Malerkotla	Malerkotla-1	309.82	over_exploited
91	PUNJAB	Malerkotla	Malerkotla-2	292.73	over_exploited
92	PUNJAB	Ludhiana	Maloud	152.20	over_exploited
93	PUNJAB	Muktsar	Malout	42.57	safe
94	PUNJAB	Firozpur	Mamdot	99.85	critical
95	PUNJAB	Mansa	Mansa	117.52	over_exploited
96	PUNJAB	Bathinda	Maur	182.68	over_exploited
97	PUNJAB	Jalandhar	Mehatpur	256.83	over_exploited
98	PUNJAB	Moga	Moga-1	329.77	over_exploited
99	PUNJAB	Moga	Moga-2	360.24	over_exploited
100	PUNJAB	Rupnagar	Morinda	172.92	over_exploited
101	PUNJAB	Hoshiarpur	Mukerian	129.46	over_exploited
102	PUNJAB	Muktsar	Muktsar	25.87	safe
103	PUNJAB	Patiala	Nabha	194.19	over_exploited
104	PUNJAB	Kapurthala	Nadala	199.24	over_exploited
105	PUNJAB	Jalandhar	Nakodar	315.83	over_exploited
106	PUNJAB	Pathankot	Narot Jaimal Singh	70.94	semi_critical
107	PUNJAB	Bathinda	Nathana	151.31	over_exploited
108	PUNJAB	Tarn Taran	Naushera Pannuan	290.04	over_exploited
109	PUNJAB	SBS Nagar	Nawan Shahr	143.96	over_exploited

110	PUNJAB	Moga	Nihal Singh Wala	369.74	over_exploited
111	PUNJAB	Jalandhar	Nur Mahal	195.66	over_exploited
112	PUNJAB	Rupnagar	Nurpur Bedi	65.50	safe
113	PUNJAB	Ludhiana	Pakhowal	178.02	over_exploited
114	PUNJAB	Pathankot	Pathankot	40.90	safe
115	PUNJAB	Patiala	Patiala	157.06	over_exploited
116	PUNJAB	Patiala	Patran	291.02	over_exploited
117	PUNJAB	Tarn Taran	Patti	221.23	over_exploited
118	PUNJAB	Kapurthala	Phagwara	311.84	over_exploited
119	PUNJAB	Jalandhar	Phillaur	251.42	over_exploited
120	PUNJAB	Bathinda	Phul	196.30	over_exploited
121	PUNJAB	Gurdaspur	Qadian	99.30	critical
122	PUNJAB	Ludhiana	Raikot	247.17	over_exploited
123	PUNJAB	Patiala	Rajpura	215.49	over_exploited
124	PUNJAB	Bathinda	Rampura	83.00	semi_critical
125	PUNJAB	Amritsar	Rayya	166.48	over_exploited
126	PUNJAB	Rupnagar	Rupnagar	66.80	safe
127	PUNJAB	Jalandhar	Rurka Kalan	254.45	over_exploited
128	PUNJAB	Patiala	Samana	217.34	over_exploited
129	PUNJAB	Ludhiana	Samrala	186.10	over_exploited
130	PUNJAB	Patiala	Sanaur	252.49	over_exploited
131	PUNJAB	Bathinda	Sangat	72.27	semi_critical
132	PUNJAB	Sangrur	Sangrur	284.69	over_exploited
133	PUNJAB	Mansa	Sardulgarh	77.24	semi_critical
134	PUNJAB	SBS Nagar	Saroya	85.36	semi_critical
135	PUNJAB	Barnala	Sehna	198.74	over_exploited
136	PUNJAB	Jalandhar	Shahkot	320.76	over_exploited
137	PUNJAB	Patiala	Shambu Kalan	264.11	over_exploited
138	PUNJAB	Sangrur	Sher Pur	311.71	over_exploited
139	PUNJAB	Ludhiana	Sidhwan Bet	224.50	over_exploited
140	PUNJAB	Fatehgarh Sahib	Sirhind	110.58	over_exploited
141	PUNJAB	Gurdaspur	Sri Hargobindpur	95.53	critical
142	PUNJAB	Ludhiana	Sudhar	152.49	over_exploited
143	PUNJAB	Pathankot	Sujanpur	29.61	safe
144	PUNJAB	Kapurthala	Sultanpur Lodhi	261.60	over_exploited
145	PUNJAB	Sangrur	Sunam	346.58	over_exploited
146	PUNJAB	Bathinda	Talwandi Sabo	71.85	semi_critical
147	PUNJAB	Hoshiarpur	Talwara	46.03	safe

148	PUNJAB	Hoshiarpur	Tanda	178.80	over_exploited
149	PUNJAB	Tarn Taran	Tarn Taran	252.04	over_exploited
150	PUNJAB	Amritsar	Tarsikka	185.05	over_exploited
151	PUNJAB	Tarn Taran	Valtoha	163.28	over_exploited
152	PUNJAB	Amritsar	Verka	225.34	over_exploited
153	PUNJAB	Firozpur	Zira	273.18	over_exploited
Total				**156.36**	

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